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**Paper for the House Committee meeting
on 23 February 2018**

**Priority allocation of a debate slot for a motion debate
on the Report of the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy**

Purpose

This paper invites Members to consider a request for priority allocation of a debate slot under rule 14A(h) of the House Rules ("HR") for a motion debate on the Report of the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy ("the Report") at the Council meeting of 9 May 2018.

Report of Joint Subcommittee

2. The Joint Subcommittee was jointly appointed by the Panel on Welfare Services and the Panel on Health Services in November 2016 to study the long-term care policy and services (including home-based, community-based and residential care services for the elderly, people with disabilities and the chronically ill), discuss the policy concerned with the Administration and make timely recommendations.

3. According to the decision¹ of the House Committee ("HC") at its

¹ The House Committee ("HC") has agreed, inter alia, that apart from the five subcommittees (i.e. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways, Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project, Subcommittee on Retirement Protection, Subcommittee on Children's Rights, and Subcommittee on Rights of Ethnic Minorities) which have been given permission by HC for their continuation of work and the Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport, which will be given such permission if it proposes to do so, a subcommittee on policy issues currently in operation will vacate its slot upon completion of its 12-month period of work for activation of a subcommittee on the waiting list.

meeting on 7 July 2017, the Joint Subcommittee has ceased its operation upon completion of its 12-month period of work which ended on 15 December 2017. Nevertheless, as there are subjects which have yet to be studied by the Joint Subcommittee, HC's endorsement has been obtained for the Joint Subcommittee to be put on the waiting list for re-activation of work for another 12 months when a vacant slot is available. The Joint Subcommittee held a total of 11 meetings. Members of the Joint Subcommittee had discussed with the Administration and received views from deputations at 10 of these meetings. Having regard to the discussions with the Administration and the deputations' views, the Joint Subcommittee has made a number of recommendations. As it is anticipated that a vacant slot will not be available in the near future, the Joint Subcommittee has agreed that a report should be prepared on the subjects already studied and its recommendations. The details of the Joint Subcommittee's deliberations and recommendations are set out in the Report (Annex I to LC Paper No. CB(2)852/17-18).

Motion debate

4. In view of the wide public concern on long-term care policy and services, it is proposed that HC's approval should be sought for priority allocation of a debate slot under HR14A(h) for moving a motion for debate on the Report at a Council meeting. The debate will provide an opportunity for all Members to express views on the subject and for the Administration to respond.

5. HR14A(h) provides that subcommittees of the Council may make a request for priority allocation of debate slots, which shall be put forward to HC for consideration on a case-by-case basis. Having regard to the schedule of Council meetings in February to May 2018 and the anticipated business to be transacted, it has been proposed to hold the aforesaid motion debate at the Council meeting of 9 May 2018. It is also proposed that in addition to the debate on the motion on the Report, only one other debate on a Member's motion not intended to have legislative effect should be held at the same Council meeting. These proposals have been endorsed by the two relevant Panels.

6. Subject to HC's agreement to allocate a debate slot, Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG, Chairman of the Joint Subcommittee, will move the motion on the Report for debate at the Council meeting of 9 May 2018. The wording of the motion is in the **Appendix**. Pursuant to HR14A(h), should HC accede to the Joint Subcommittee's request for allocation of a

slot to Dr CHEUNG for moving the motion, the debate slot will not be counted as Dr CHEUNG's own slot.

Advice sought

7. Members are invited to consider the Joint Subcommittee's request for priority allocation of a debate slot under HR14A(h).

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張超雄議員就
"長期護理政策聯合小組委員會的報告"提出的議案

議案措辭

"本會察悉長期護理政策聯合小組委員會的報告。"

(Translation)

Motion on "Report of the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy"
to be moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
at the Council meeting of Wednesday, 9 May 2018

Wording of the Motion

"That this Council notes the Report of the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy."